

GIVE SOLDIERS PREFERENCE IN HOMESTEADING

10,000 Acres to Be Thrown Open in Wyoming and the North Platte Valley.

Discharged soldiers will be given marked preference in the apportionment of more than 10,000 acres of homesteaded lands in Wyoming this spring. The public will not be allowed to file on these lands for 60 days after the opening, according to S. B. Howard, colonization agent of the Burlington railroad.

The Wyoming lands are being homesteaded in two large projects. The Shoshone project includes 5,000 acres in the northwest section of the state, in the Big Horn valley. The project manager has headquarters at Powell, Wyo.

Pay for Water Rights.

In filing on these lands each homesteader must deposit \$5.10 per acre for water rights for the first three years. Later assessments will be made for the maintenance of the water supply, but they will be smaller.

The second project is the North Platte valley, located in the eastern portion of Wyoming, just west of Scottsbluff, Neb. The project manager is at Mitchell, Neb. Water rights have been established on these lands at a cost of \$95 per acre. The homesteader must deposit \$5 per acre, or \$4.75 per acre, for his first three years' rental.

Platte Lands March 9.

The North Platte lands will be thrown open for filing on March 9. Only former soldiers will be permitted to file for the first 60 days, however, so the public will not be admitted until May 12. February 28 is the opening date for the Shoshone valley lands, with the same 60-day period reserved for service men. May 4 will be the public opening date.

Lands in both projects are not divided into sections. They are divided into 80 to 85 farms each, ranging in size from 40 to 80 acres. Filing upon a single farm, no matter what the size, exhausts a person's homestead rights. Seven months a year for three years must be spent upon the land, although soldiers get credit for service in the army up to two years.

Employees Give Banquet to Veterans and Employers

About 50 department managers and salesmen of the Nebraska Clothing company entertained for their returned world war veterans at a stag banquet at the Omaha Athletic club grill, Monday night.

Among the Nebraska employees are men who served their country in every quarter of the globe. Every branch of the service was represented at the gathering last night. The entertainment was enlivened by speech-making and music by an orchestra and the Nebraska quartet.

INSPECTOR SAYS POSTAL SUSPECT DANGEROUS MAN



Telegraphed Instructions Warn Him to "Keep Baker Covered."

Richard C. Baker, held here under \$5,000 bond for action by a federal grand jury on charge of using the mails to defraud, is declared by Postal Inspector W. E. Coble to be one of the most dangerous men with whom Omaha postoffice officials have had to deal.

Baker, 35 years old and a native of Georgia, is of slight build, has weak features and presents a general tubercular appearance.

But with a "cat" in his hands he is a typical Georgia wildcat. Inspector Coble asserts.

While plans were being laid for his capture here for an alleged attempt to defraud Charles Marret, New Orleans carnival manager, of \$400, Inspector Coble received an official telegram warning him not to attempt to arrest the man "without covering him with a gun and keeping him covered."

Assistant Inspector Cellar, who made the arrest here, went "armed to the teeth" and took no chances. After trailing Baker to the Omaha Postal Telegraph office and watching him receive a wire from Marret, his alleged fraud victim, Cellar poked a .48-caliber revolver into the man's ribs and held it there, backing Baker against a wall and disarming him of a revolver carried in his overcoat pocket.

Following his arrest here, Baker told Inspector Cellar he believed he was able to avoid clutches of federal officers for so many months because he "kept strictly away from women."

"They talk too much and always get a man in trouble if he fools with them," Baker declared.

He is unmarried.

Jury Finds Force Guilty On Charge of Attacking Young Girl

Chester Force, 1617 Chicago street, 50 years old, was found guilty of a statutory crime against 13-year-old Grace Knepper, 2223 1/2 North Twentieth street, by a jury which returned its verdict in District Judge Goss' court yesterday morning after deliberating since 4 yesterday afternoon.

The jury also found Force's wife, Gladys Force, 21 years old, not guilty of aiding and abetting him.

The crime is alleged to have occurred the night of January 14, 1920, in the room at 1617 Chicago street, where Force and his wife live. The Knepper girl knew Mrs. Force and came there on a visit, she testified. The penalty may be anything from three to 20 years in the penitentiary.

Texans in Omaha Inspect Douglas Motor Factory

Sixty Douglas truck dealers from Texas, arrived in Omaha Tuesday morning to visit the factory here of the Douglas Motors corporation. The dealers have contracts with the Kibbe Tractor and Implement company of Dallas, and their special train was provided by this firm.

Yesterday morning and afternoon were occupied with inspections and demonstrations at the Douglas factory; at noon, a luncheon at the Chamber of Commerce and a banquet at the Paxton hotel in the evening.

This morning the dealers will again visit the factory. They will lunch at the Hotel Fontenelle at noon and make a sightseeing trip of the city in the afternoon. After a dinner at the Athletic club this evening, they will be entertained at a theater party. The special train leaves Thursday morning for Texas.

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SEEKS REVERSE OF DECISION ON SALE OF WHISKY

Attorney General Writes Federal "Dry" Chief to Stop Permits to Sell Liquor in Nebraska.

While Federal Prohibition Commissioner Hanley was offering yesterday to co-operate with state prohibition authorities in the general enforcement of "dry" laws, State Attorney General Davis at Lincoln was appealing to Mr. Hanley's superior to countermand Hanley's order that druggists be permitted to sell whisky for medicinal purposes under the federal law.

Mr. Davis' letter to Internal Revenue Commissioner Roper at Washington declared the federal law permitting medicinal sales to be ineffective in Nebraska. The attorney general said he would regret having to lock horns with federal officials in the courts, but that injunction proceedings would certainly be started if Hanley pursued his present course. It asked that he be directed to reverse his position.

U. S. to Prosecute

"I intend to see that additional federal charge is filed against every prohibition law violator," Mr. Hanley said, "as soon as I am given a force of investigators. The force of nine held against four inspectors, assigned to the state should be sufficient to investigate all cases brought before state courts, as well as to uncover additional violations themselves."

Mr. Hanley announced that 50 per cent of the druggists of Omaha, and a like percentage over the state, have made inquiry regarding permits to sell liquor for medicinal purposes. The controversy over conflict between state and federal laws on these sales is stirring a storm of argument throughout the state, he stated. Reports coming to Mr. Hanley's office indicate sentiment largely favors sales for medicinal purposes, he said.

Second Arrest Made

The second charge here of alleged violation of the federal prohibition enforcement act was filed in federal court yesterday.

Sam Christiansen, 931 North Twenty-seventh avenue, is alleged by United States District Attorney Thomas S. Allen to have sold eight ounces of alcohol in Omaha on February 11, "without first obtaining a permit from the Internal Revenue department." He was arrested and released on bond.

Mr. Hanley said he had received no definite instructions from Washington covering the question of issuance of permits to druggists in states with laws prohibiting such sales, but declared the federal enforcement act left no doubt that such sales were legal.

Man Charged With Bigamy to Be Faced By Trio of Wives

Three wives will confront Harry S. McKay in district court today, where he will be placed on trial on a charge of bigamy. McKay, who has been married under slightly varying names, is 47 years old, and employed by the Love-Hascall company.

Complaint against him was filed by Aura S. Milledge, November 29, 1919, and he was arrested a few days later. He was released under \$1,500 bond. County Attorney Shotwell says he has learned of six women whom McKay has married.

The wives who will be at the trial are Mrs. Edna M. Solberg McKay of St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. Margaret Fillenworth McKay of Omaha, and Mrs. Mary H. Milledge McKay of Omaha. Mrs. Fillenworth McKay secured an annulment of her marriage in district court early this year.

Father Flanagan Confirmed As Welfare Board Member

Rev. E. J. Flanagan was confirmed yesterday by the city council for a five-year term as member of the board of public welfare. Father Flanagan, head of the home for boys which bears his name, recently was appointed as members of the welfare board to fill an unexpired term caused by the resignation of Frank A. Kennedy.

Former Employe of City Superintendent Dies of Pneumonia



Beulah Byrd

Beulah W. Byrd, 26 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Byrd, 6107 Florence boulevard, died Monday night at the Wise Memorial hospital of pneumonia, following influenza. She was born and reared in Omaha, and at the time of her death, was conducting a private school in business training for girls. She worked in the office of the city superintendent of schools for several years. Besides her parents, she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. C. E. Vesey and Mrs. Howard Granden, and a brother, Forrest Byrd.

Funeral services will be held from the First Methodist church Thursday afternoon at 2, Rev. Titus Lowe officiating. Pallbearers will be Kendall Hammond, Leo Bozell, Dave Bowman, Frank Hixenbaugh, Walter Hixenbaugh and Will Horton.

Offers Ordinance Cutting Power Rates To Small Consumers

City Commissioner Butler offered the city council yesterday an ordinance proposing a modification of the initial retail rate now being charged for electric light and power current.

He proposes to reduce the existing maximum of the first 150 kilowatts at 6 cents to the first 15 kilowatts at 5 cents.

No change is made in the wholesale maximum rate of 6 cents. The ordinance further provides that power companies "may reasonably graduate or block the quantities of current," below the maximum of each class.

The principal effect of the ordinance, if passed, would be to reduce the bills of small consumers.

Thought She Was Divorced 7 Years Ago; Married Since

Phoebe Young says in a petition filed in district court yesterday that she discovered in January, 1919, that she had been living for seven years with a man who was not her legal husband. She asks to have her second marriage annulled. In 1911 she received a summons to answer a divorce suit filed by her husband in Bridgeport, Conn. She made no answer and, thinking the divorce was granted, married Byrle F. Young, an Omaha druggist, on January 18, 1912.

In January, 1919, she received information that her first husband had not prosecuted his suit for divorce in Connecticut and therefore that he is still her legal husband.

Manager Adds 2,007 Feet of Space to Automobile Show

In 1919 Manager Powell of the auto show announced that "every available" foot of space was taken in the Auditorium.

This year he found that "every available foot" wasn't quite enough. He stewed and fumed, and finally figured out 2,007 more available feet of space for exhibits for the 15th show, to be held March 1 to 6. "And we're not going to hang any cars on the wall, either," he says.

MEAT EXPORTS AWAIT STABLE FOREIGN MONEY

Packers Will Ship Nothing Until Question Settled, Says Manager Howe of Skinner Co.

"The foreign situation is very bad with reference to export trade of the packing industries," said R. C. Howe, general manager of the Skinner Packing company yesterday.

"Trade would be good on the continent if we knew what the money of the European countries was worth. There will be no export business done as far as the Skinner company is concerned until we know the value of foreign money.

"The sooner the situation comes to a crisis, or the worse it gets, the better it will be for the people of this country. The present situation as to meats and foodstuffs in relation to exports is bound to reduce the cost of living in this country, because it is greatly curtailing exports and will cause a surplus at home which is just what we want."

As a result of the foreign exchange situation, it is thought, the price of hogs dropped 50 cents a hundred on the local market yesterday, with a further reduction expected during the week. Hogs were selling at \$13.40 to \$13.50 Monday, and the top price yesterday was \$14. Prices on cattle are reported steady on the local market with expectations of a break, while the sheep market exhibited a slight raise today.

Great Pianist Hofmann Being Brought Here by Omaha Musical Club



Josef Hofmann.

Josef Hofmann, the famous Polish pianist, will appear in Omaha at the Brandeis theater next Monday under the auspices of the Tuesday Musical club of this city.

As a youth Hofmann was one of the sensations of the musical world, and rivaled Paderewski in the honors he created. His maturity fulfilled every promise entertained in his early days, and he is now recognized as a genius. He enjoys the distinction of having been the only private pupil of the great Rubenstein ever had. America is his country by adoption, this being further attested by the fact that his wife is an American.

Divorce Courts

Huge Hachmeyer converted all his property, amounting to about \$10,000, into cash within the last few months and has left for parts unknown his wife, Anna, alleges in a petition for divorce filed in district court. He told her she would never get a cent of his money, she says. She asks to have her maiden name, Smith, restored to her.

John Eastwood says his wife, Nellie, deserted him in 1917 after five years of married life, and he asked the district court for a divorce decree.

Arthur Pakiser treated his wife, Marion, so cruelly that she was

compelled to leave him last month, she says in a petition for divorce filed in district court.

Betty Wade, 2513 Caldwell street refused to live with her husband, Joseph, he alleged in a petition for divorce filed in district court. He asks for custody of their child. They were married in 1911.

Alleging extreme cruelty, Robert E. Knight filed suit in district court for a divorce from Harriett Knight and custody of their two children.

Five hundred dollars alimony was granted to Elizabeth Burke in a decree of divorce from Roy Clarence Burke granted her by Judge Wakeley in district court. She charged extreme cruelty.

Charles M. Speed was given a divorce from Rose Speed on allegations of cruelty by Judge Wakeley in divorce court.

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